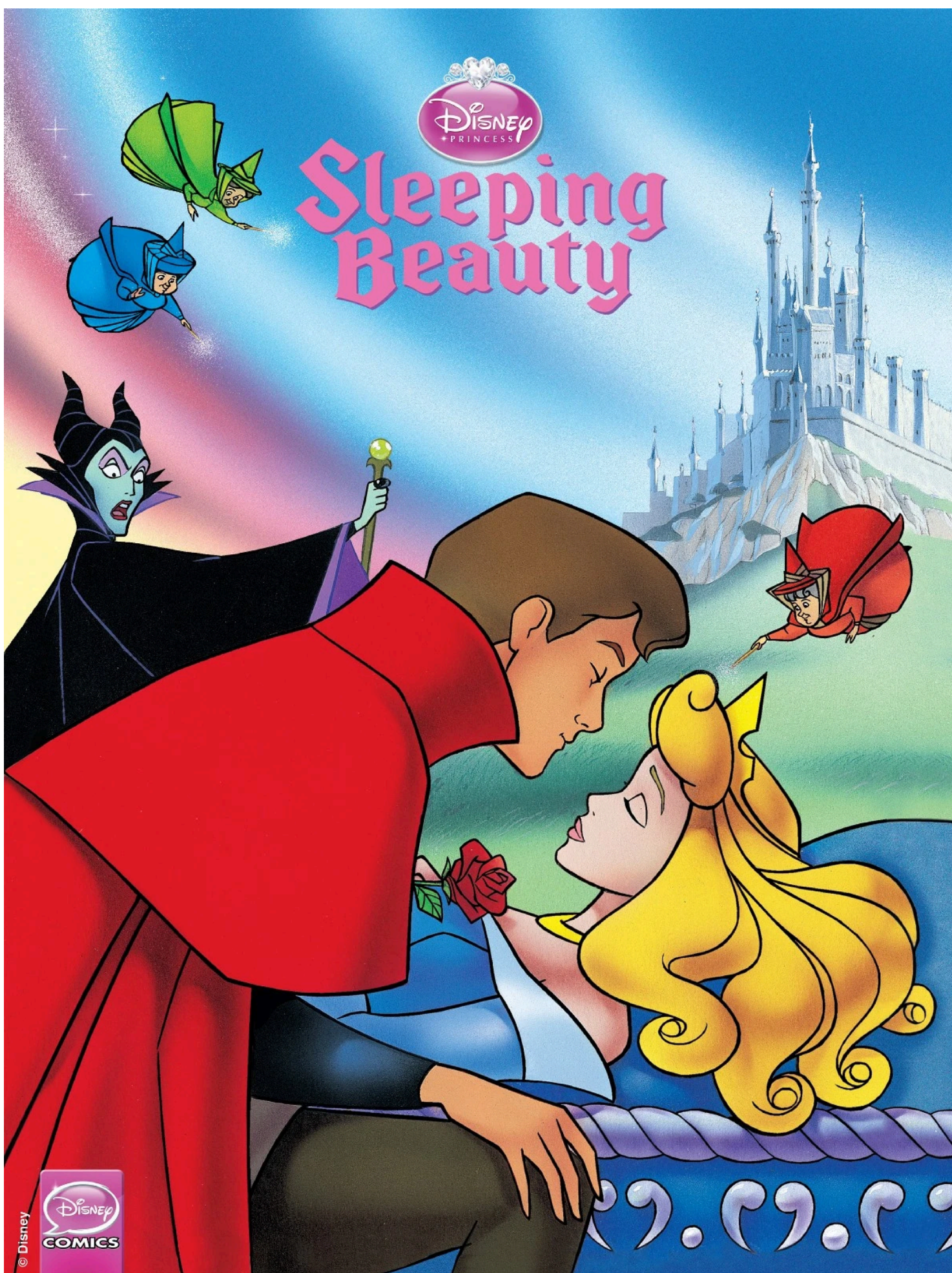
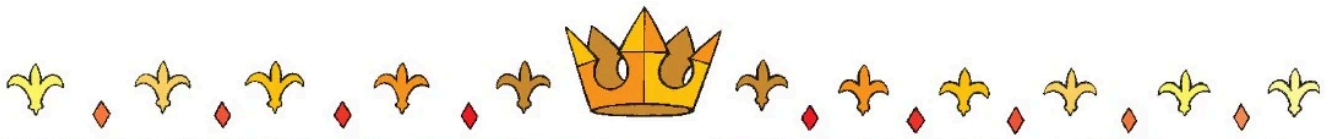




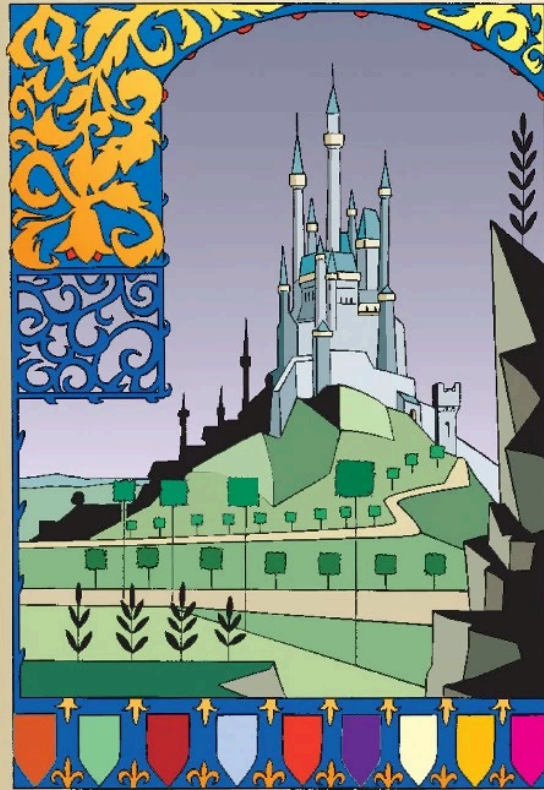
# Sleeping Beauty







IN A FAR AWAY  
LAND LONG AGO LIVED A  
KING AND A QUEEN, WHO  
WERE VERY SAD SINCE THEY  
DIDN'T HAVE CHILDREN...



FINALLY THEIR WISH WAS GRANTED:  
THE QUEEN HAD A DAUGHTER AND THEY  
CALLED HER AURORA...



A GREAT HOLIDAY WAS PROCLAIMED  
THROUGHOUT THE KINGDOM SO THAT EVERYONE  
MIGHT PAY HOMAGE TO THE INFANT PRINCESS...

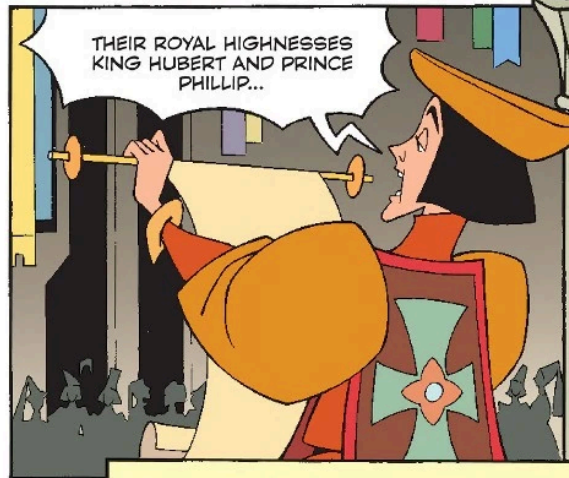




OUR STORY BEGINS ON THAT MOST JOYFUL DAY,  
WHEN KING STEFAN AND HIS WIFE MADE WELCOME  
THEIR LIFELONG FRIENDS...



THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES  
KING HUBERT AND PRINCE  
PHILLIP...



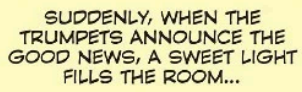
FONDLY HAD THESE MONARCHS DREAMED ONE DAY  
THEIR KINGDOMS TO UNITE. THUS THEY ANNOUNCED THAT THE  
PRINCE WILL ONE DAY MARRY  
THE PRINCESS AURORA.



BUT RIGHT NOW THE YOUNG  
BOY BRINGS A GIFT TO THIS CHARMING  
INFANT NOT KNOWING SHE'S TO BE  
HIS FUTURE BRIDE.







SUDDENLY, WHEN THE TRUMPETS ANNOUNCE THE GOOD NEWS, A SWEET LIGHT FILLS THE ROOM...



THEIR MOST HONORED AND EXALTED EXCELLENCES THE THREE GOOD FAIRIES.

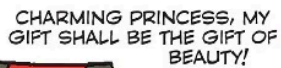


MISTRESS FLORA, MISTRESS FAUNA AND MISTRESS MERRY-WEATHER!

SHE'S SO NICE!



YOUR MAJESTIES! EACH OF US THE CHILD MAY BLESS WITH A SINGLE GIFT!



CHARMING PRINCESS, MY GIFT SHALL BE THE GIFT OF BEAUTY!



MY GIFT SHALL BE THE GIFT OF SONG!

BUT JUST BEFORE MISTRESS MERRYWEATHER PRESENTS HER GIFT...











DON'T DESPAIR,  
YOUR MAJESTIES.  
MERRYWEATHER STILL  
HAS HER GIFT TO  
GIVE!



BUT CAN SHE UNDO THIS FEARFUL  
CURSE?

OH! NO, SIRE.  
MALEFICENT HAS  
POWERS WE DON'T  
HAVE! BUT SHE CAN  
HELP!



SWEET PRINCESS, A SPINDLE  
WILL PRICK YOUR FINGER SINCE  
MALEFICENT CAST THIS SPELL ON  
YOU! BUT YOU WON'T DIE, AND  
THIS IS WHAT WILL HAPPEN  
TO YOU...



... YOU WILL FALL ASLEEP, AND THIS  
SLEEP WILL LAST FOR A LONG TIME.  
AFTER HUNDRED YEARS YOU SHALL  
WAKE WHEN YOU ARE KISSED BY A  
CHARMING PRINCE!

BUT KING STEFAN,  
STILL FEARFUL OF HIS  
DAUGHTER'S LIFE DID THEN  
AND THERE A DECREE THAT  
EVERY SPINNING WHEEL IN  
THE KINGDOM SHOULD ON  
THAT VERY DAY BE BURNED!  
SO IT WAS DONE...











DRESSED IN THIS WAY NOBODY WILL NOTICE US.



YES! YES! WE WILL TAKE CARE OF THE PRINCESS, WE WILL FEED HER, WASH HER AND ROCK HER TO SLEEP EVERY NIGHT.

LIKE THE HUMANS?



WHY SHOULDN'T WE SUCCEED?

WE COULD ALWAYS USE OUR WANDS?



NO! NO! NO! YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO USE THEM!

BUT WE CANNOT DO ANYTHING WITHOUT THEM!



IF WE WON'T USE THE MAGIC, NOBODY WILL NOTICE US!



COME ALONG NOW. WE MUST EXPLAIN OUR PLAN TO THE KING AND THE QUEEN...

SO THE KING AND HIS QUEEN WATCHED WITH HEAVY HEARTS AS THEIR MOST PRECIOUS POSSESSION, THEIR ONLY CHILD DISAPPEARED INTO THE NIGHT...





MANY SAD AND LONELY YEARS PASSED BY. BUT AS THE TIME FOR PRINCESS AURORA'S SIXTEENTH BIRTHDAY DREW NEAR, THE ENTIRE KINGDOM BEGAN TO REJOICE. FOR EVERYONE KNEW THAT MALEFICENT'S EVIL PROPHECY HAD NOT YET BEEN FULFILLED...

IT'S INCREDIBLE!

SIXTEEN YEARS, AND NOT A TRACE OF THIS CHILD! SHE COULDN'T HAVE VANISHED INTO THIN AIR!

ARE YOU SURE YOU SEARCHED EVERYWHERE?

YES, YES, EVERYWHERE!

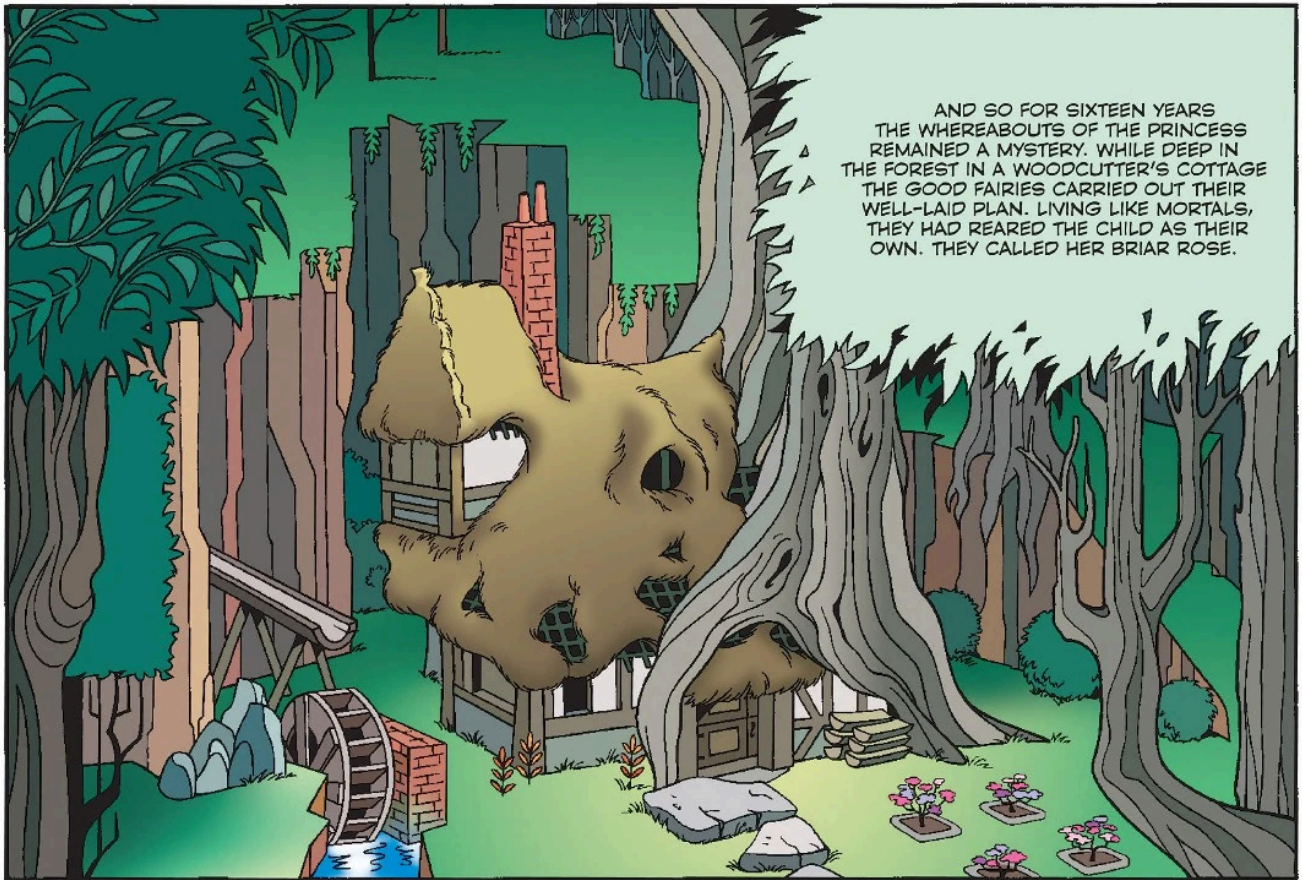
EVERYWHERE! ON THE MOUNTAINS! UH UH! IN THE FORESTS! UH UH! IN THE GARDENS AND IN THE HOUSES! UH! AND IN ALL THE CRADLES! UH UH!

CRADLES?!









AND SO FOR SIXTEEN YEARS THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE PRINCESS REMAINED A MYSTERY. WHILE DEEP IN THE FOREST IN A WOODCUTTER'S COTTAGE THE GOOD FAIRIES CARRIED OUT THEIR WELL-LAID PLAN. LIVING LIKE MORTALS, THEY HAD REARED THE CHILD AS THEIR OWN. THEY CALLED HER BRIAR ROSE.

ON HER SIXTEENTH BIRTHDAY THE GOOD FAIRIES HAD PLANNED A PARTY AND ABOVE ALL A SURPRISE...



I THINK THIS DRESS IS IDEAL, ISN'T IT?

THIS IS THE ONE I PICKED, TOO! SHE'LL LOOK BEAUTIFUL IN THAT!

I THOUGHT ABOUT A FEW CHANGES.



WE'LL MAKE IT BLUE!

OH! NO! IT SHOULD BE PINK.



WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?







UP TOP? WHAT ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT?



EH... WE WANT YOU TO PICK SOME BERRIES!



BERRIES? BUT I PICKED A FULL BASKET OF BERRIES YESTERDAY!

OH, YES BUT WE NEED SOME MORE!

YES, LOTS MORE!



DON'T HURRY BACK, DEAR!

BUT ABOVE ALL DON'T GO TOO FAR AND DON'T SPEAK TO STRANGERS! UNDERSTAND?



I WONDER IF SHE SUSPECTS.

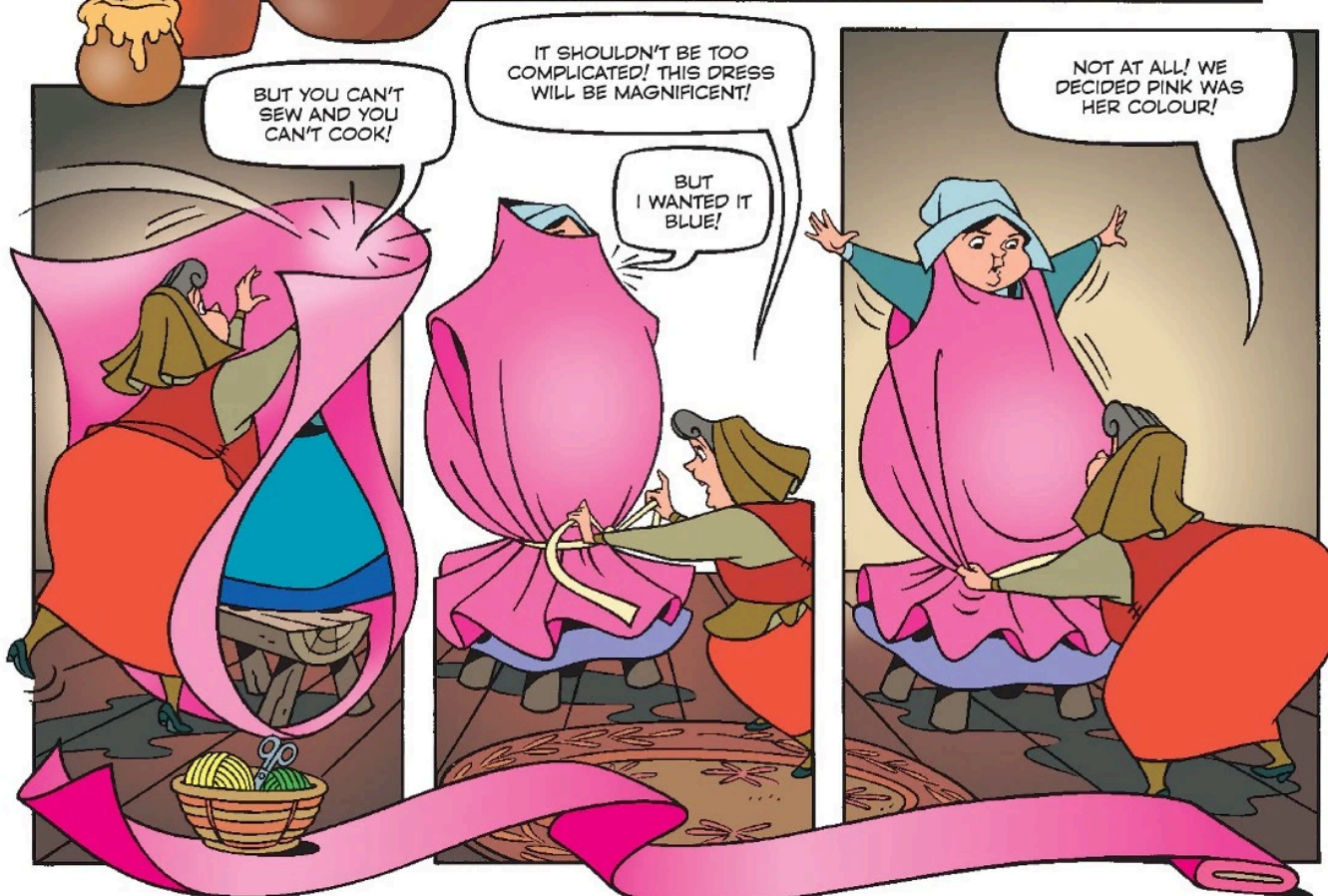


I'M GOING TO MAKE A DRESS WORTHY OF A PRINCESS!

AND I WILL BAKE A BEAUTIFUL CAKE!

I'LL GET THE WANDS!







IN THE MEANTIME, IN THE FOREST, AURORA IS WALKING WITH HER FRIENDS, THE ANIMALS.



I WOULD LIKE TO SING ABOUT LOVE AS THE BIRDS DO.

NOT FAR AWAY FROM HERE, PRINCE PHILLIP IS TAKING HIS DAILY RIDE.



YOU HEAR THAT, SAMSON? WHAT A BEAUTIFUL VOICE!



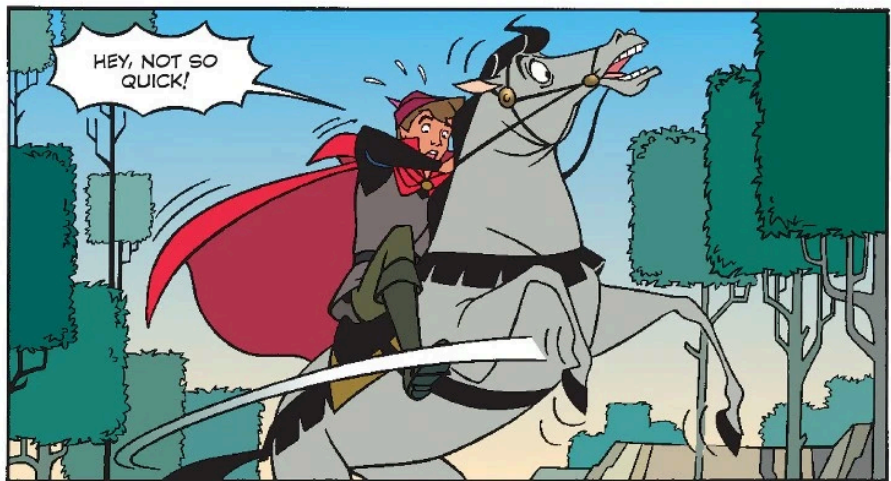
LET'S FIND OUT IMMEDIATELY WHO IT IS. YOU WILL HAVE AN EXTRA BUCKET OF OATS AND A FEW...



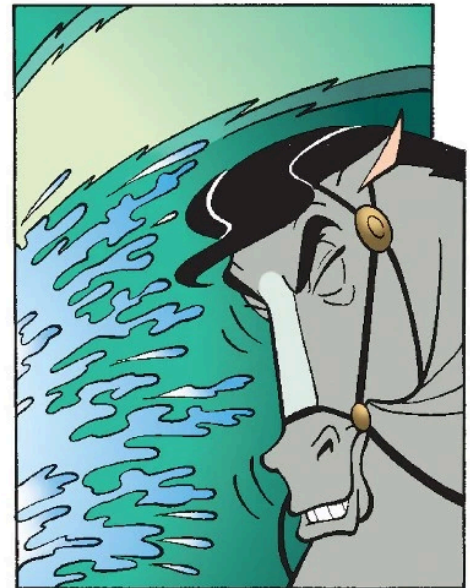
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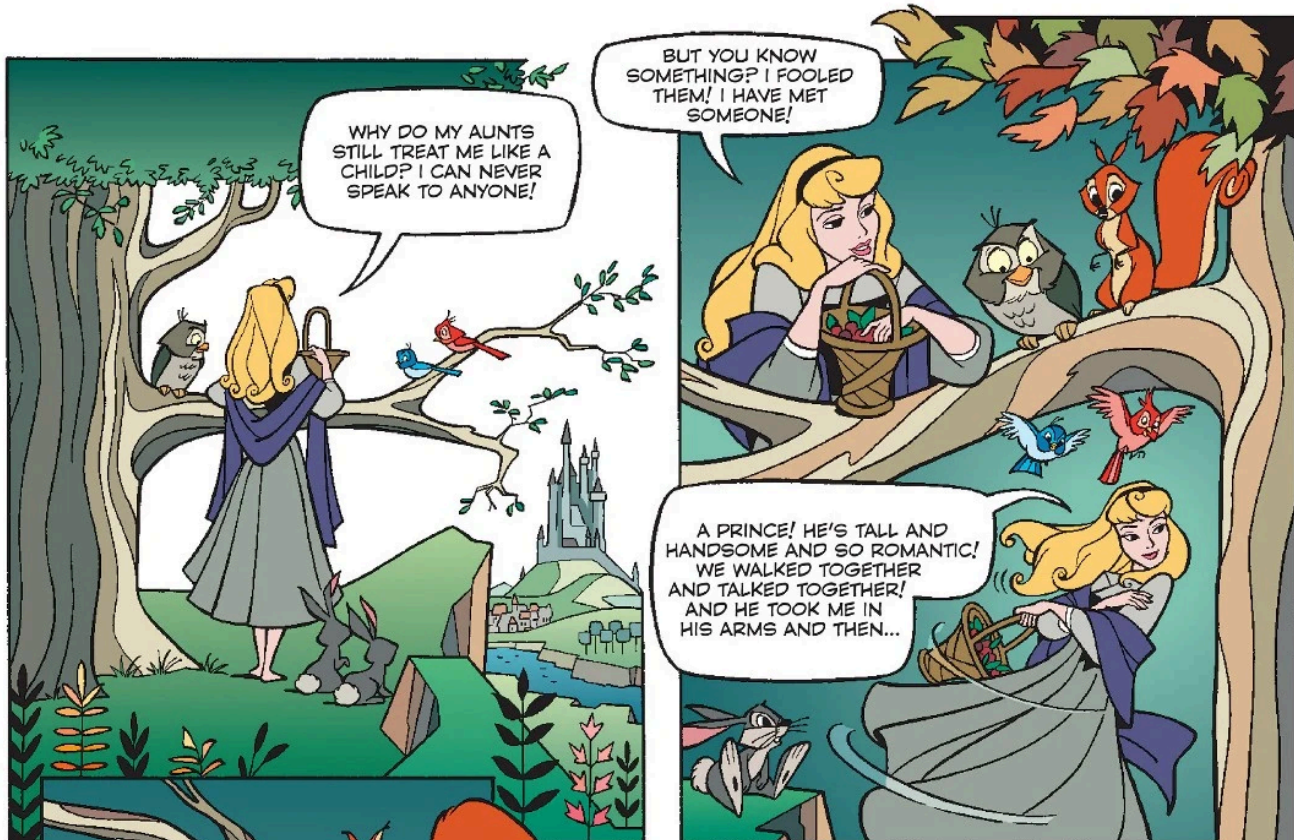
HEY, NOT SO QUICK!











WHY DO MY AUNTS  
STILL TREAT ME LIKE A  
CHILD? I CAN NEVER  
SPEAK TO ANYONE!

BUT YOU KNOW  
SOMETHING? I FOOLED  
THEM! I HAVE MET  
SOMEONE!

A PRINCE! HE'S TALL AND  
HANDSOME AND SO ROMANTIC!  
WE WALKED TOGETHER  
AND TALKED TOGETHER!  
AND HE TOOK ME IN  
HIS ARMS AND THEN...



I WOKE UP.



YES, IT'S ONLY IN MY  
DREAMS. BUT THEY SAY IF  
YOU DREAM A THING MORE  
THAN ONCE, IT'S SURE  
TO COME TRUE.

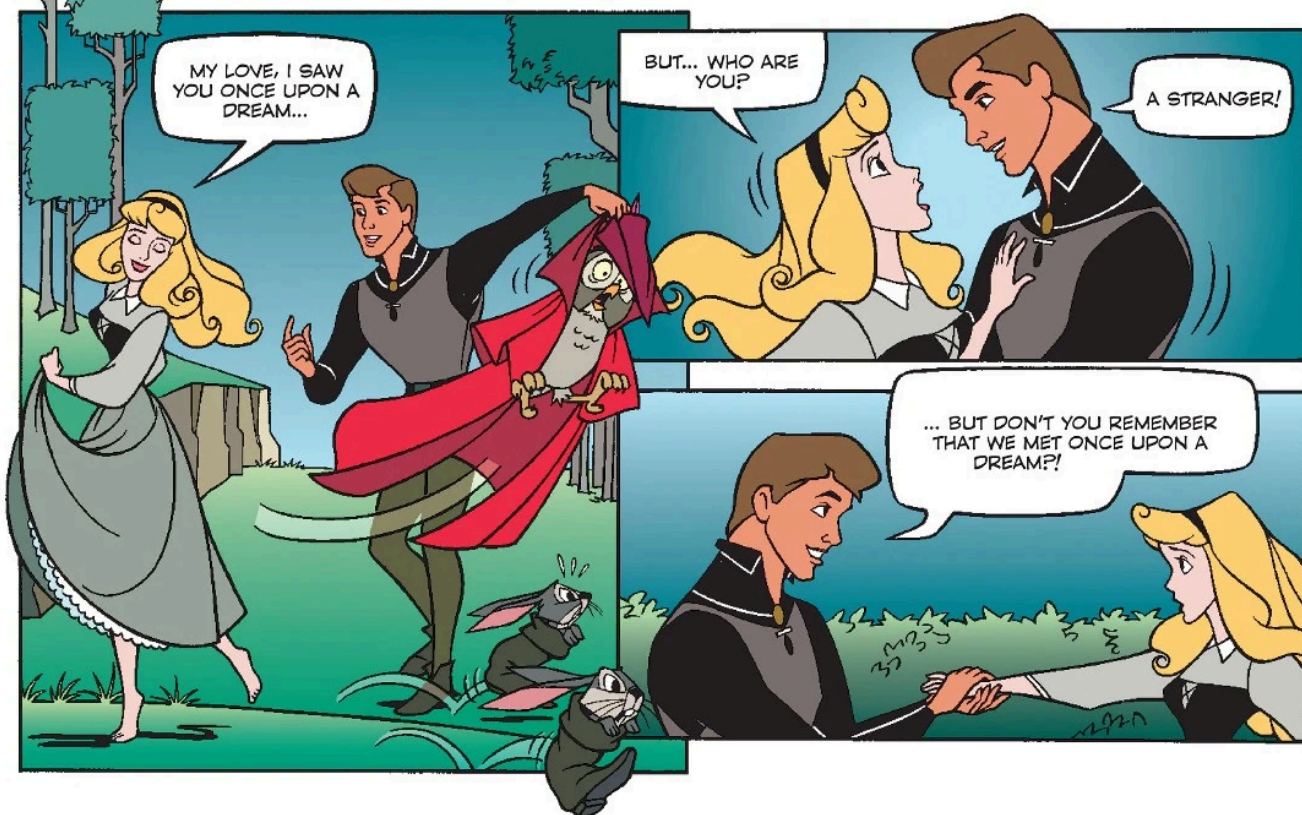
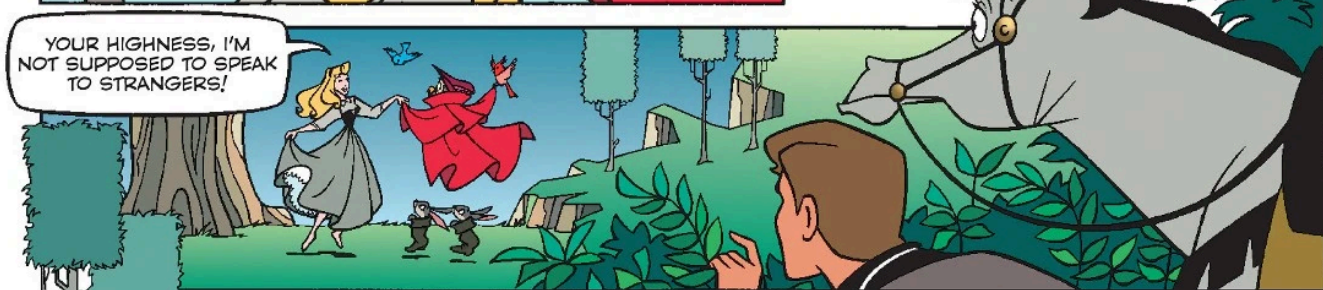


YOU KNOW SAMSON, THERE  
WAS SOMETHING STRANGE  
ABOUT THAT VOICE.



MAYBE IT WAS  
SOME MYSTERIOUS BEING,  
A FAIRY OR...









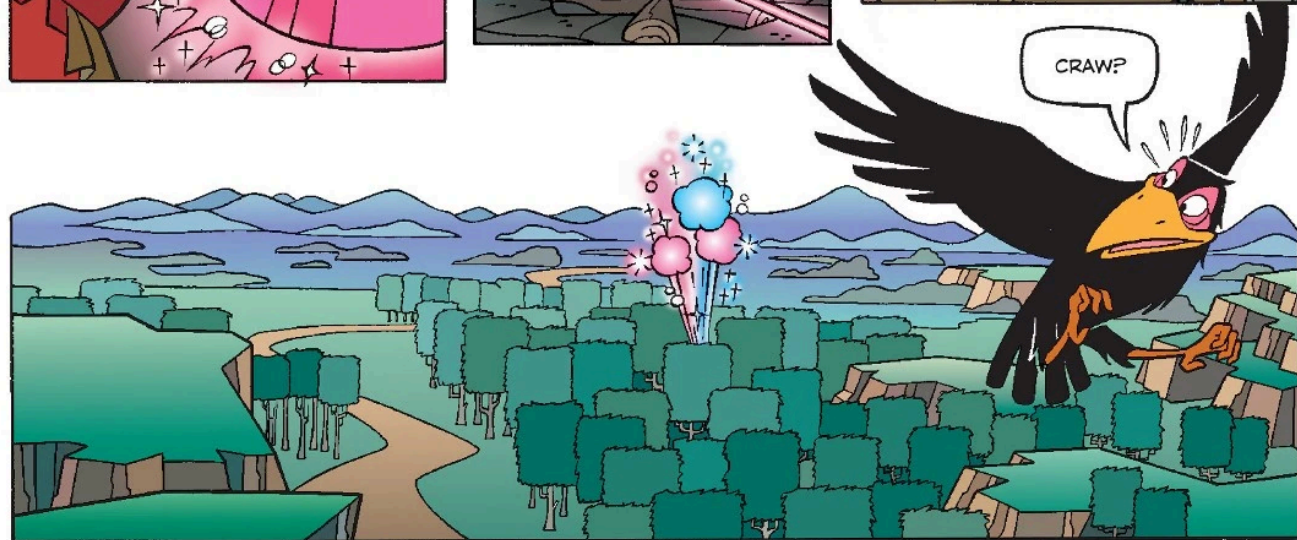
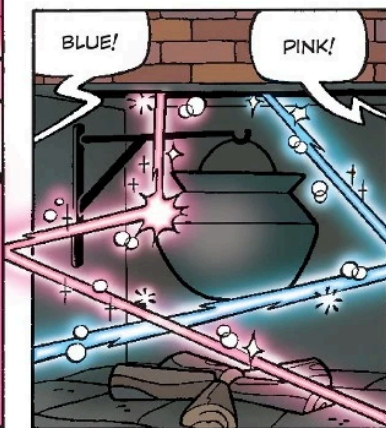
IN THE MEANTIME IN THE COTTAGE  
THINGS ARE NOT GOING WELL.







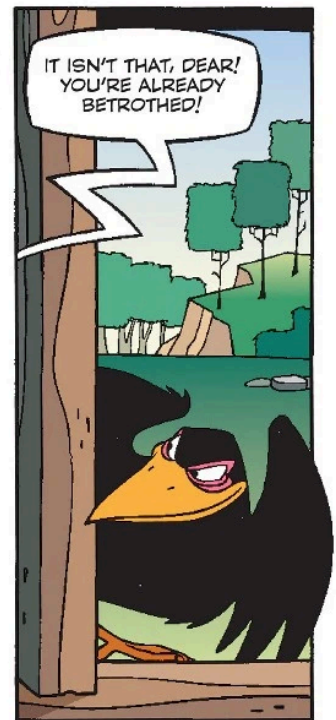
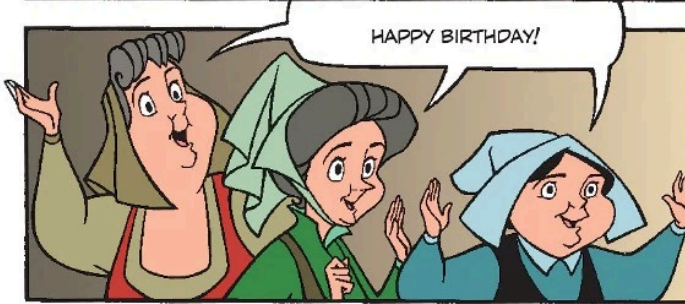
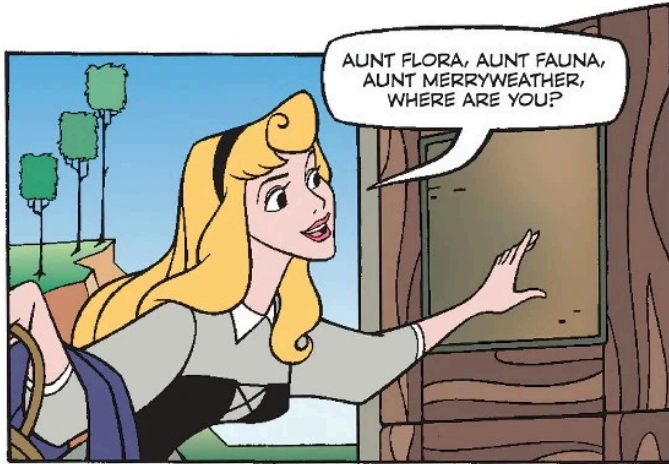




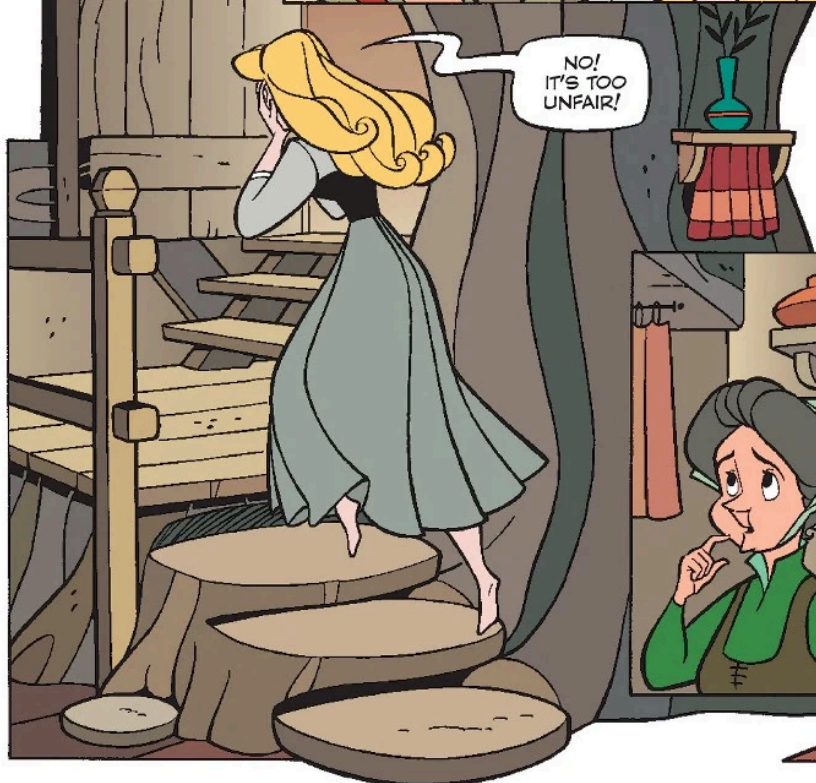




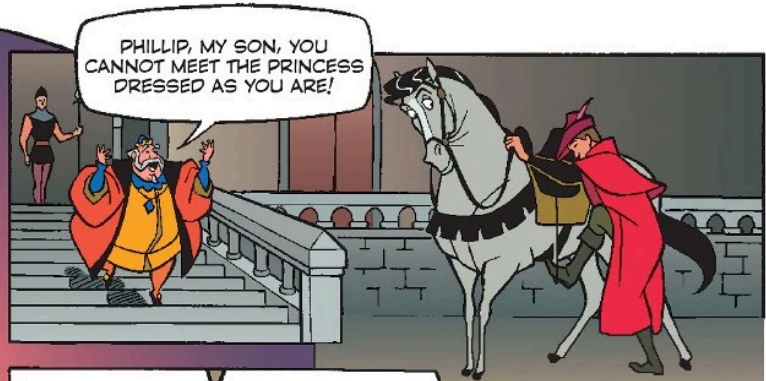
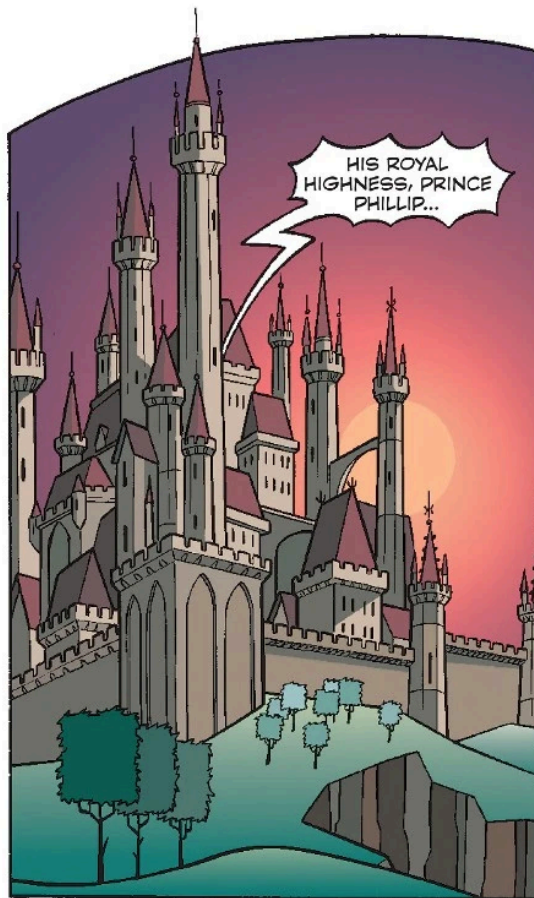
















EVERYTHING IS OK.



BOLT THE DOOR, MERRYWEATHER!

FAUNA, PULL THE DRAPES!



AND NOW DEAR, IT'S TIME TO HAVE OUR LAST GIFT!





THE ROYAL CROWN  
TO WEAR IN GRACE!



COME, MY  
PRINCESS!

PERHAPS IT'S  
BETTER TO LET  
HER ALONE!



SHE'S CRYING FOR  
THE BOY SHE MET!



BUT WHAT CAN  
WE DO?



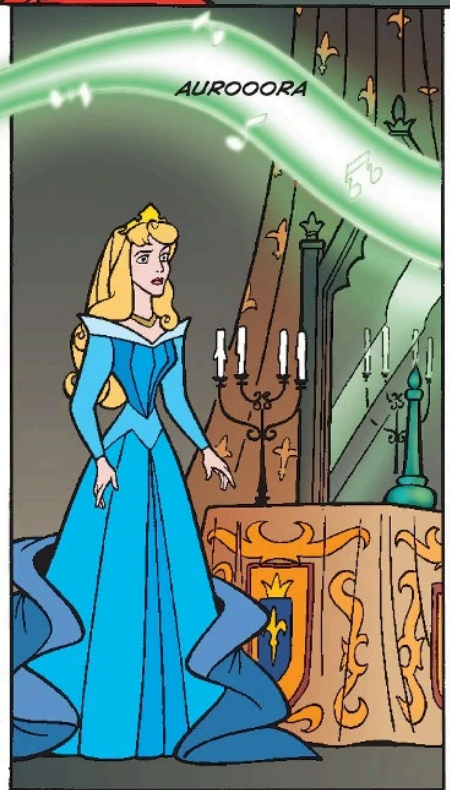
WHAT A  
SITUATION!



AUROOORA

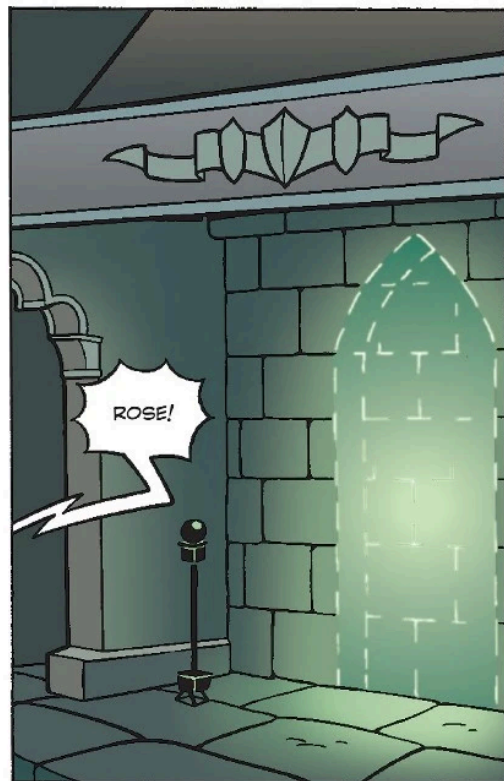
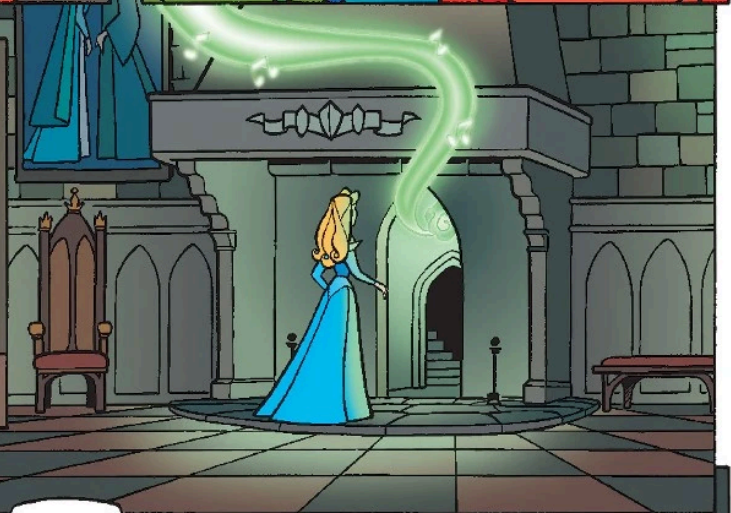


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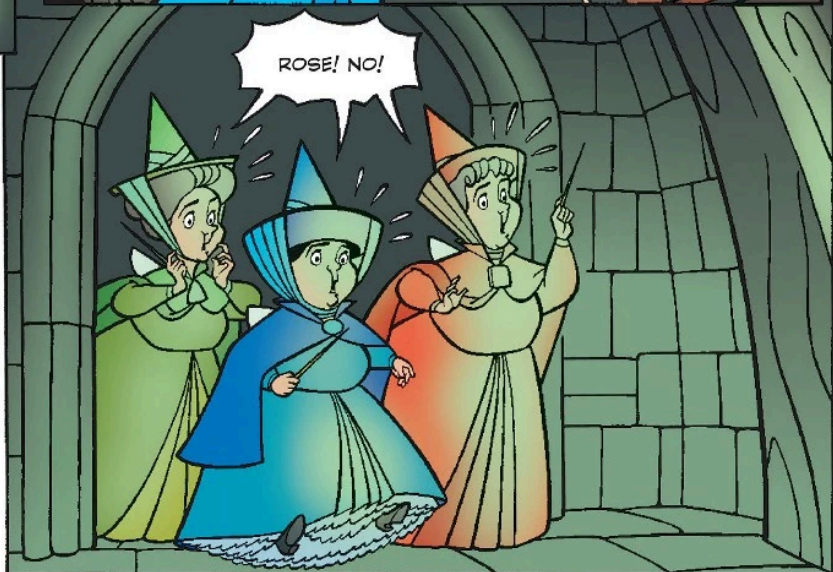
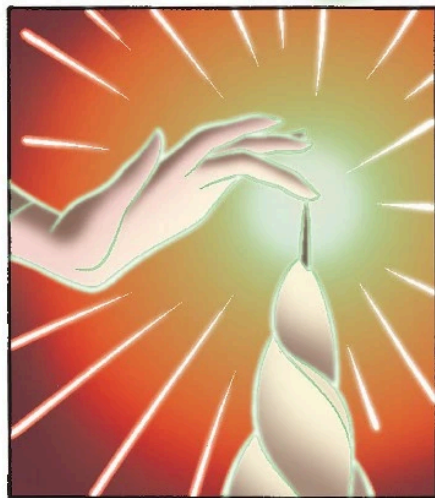


AUROOORA













YOU POOR, SIMPLE FOOLS,  
THINKING YOU COULD  
DEFEAT  
ME!



WELL, HERE'S YOUR  
PRECIOUS PRINCESS!



HA! HA!  
HA! HA!  
HA! HA!  
HA!



ROSE!

OH, I'LL  
NEVER FORGIVE  
MYSELF!

WE'RE ALL  
TO BLAME!

AND WHILE EVERYONE IS REJOICING IN THE ARRIVAL  
OF THE PRINCESS, THE FAIRIES ARE CRYING IN THE  
HIGHEST TOWER OF THE CASTLE.



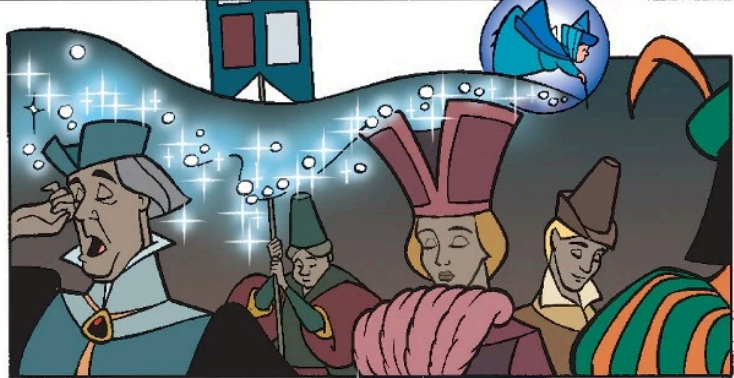
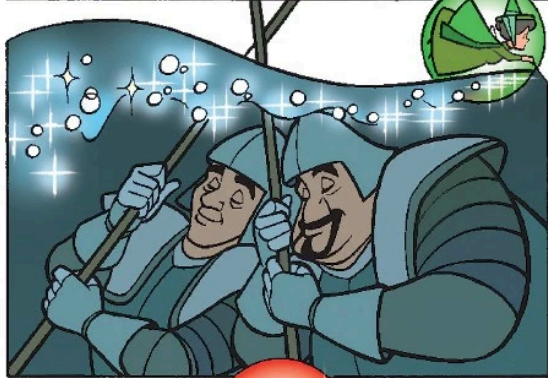
POOR KING STEFAN!  
POOR QUEEN. THEY'LL  
BE HEARTBROKEN!

THEY ARE  
NOT GOING TO  
FIND OUT!

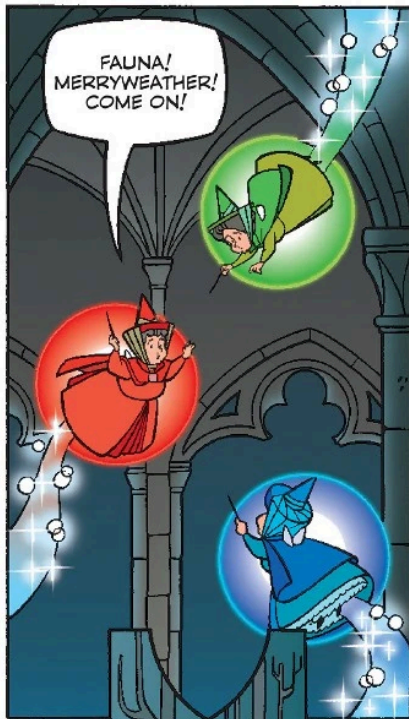


WE'LL PUT THEM ALL  
TO SLEEP UNTIL THEIR  
DAUGHTER AWAKENS!









FAUNA!  
MERRYWEATHER!  
COME ON!



WE HAVE TO  
GET BACK TO  
THE COTTAGE!

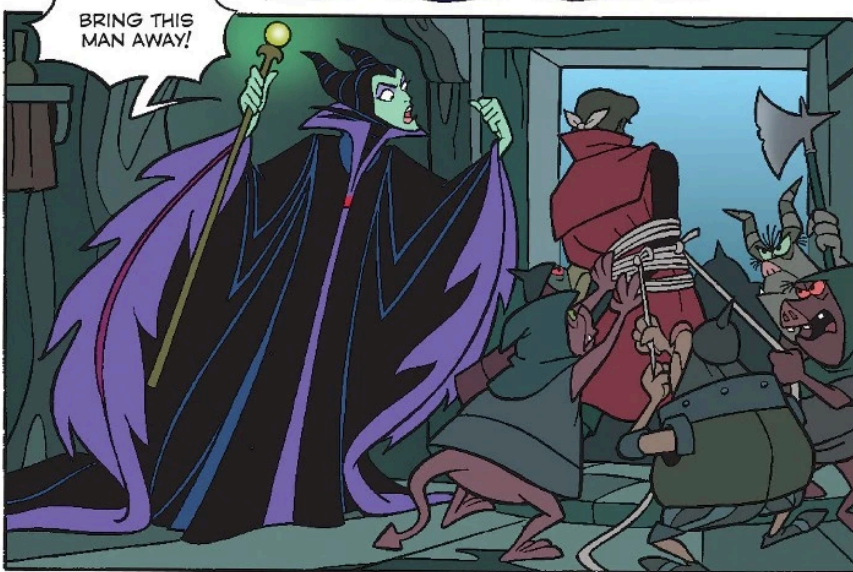


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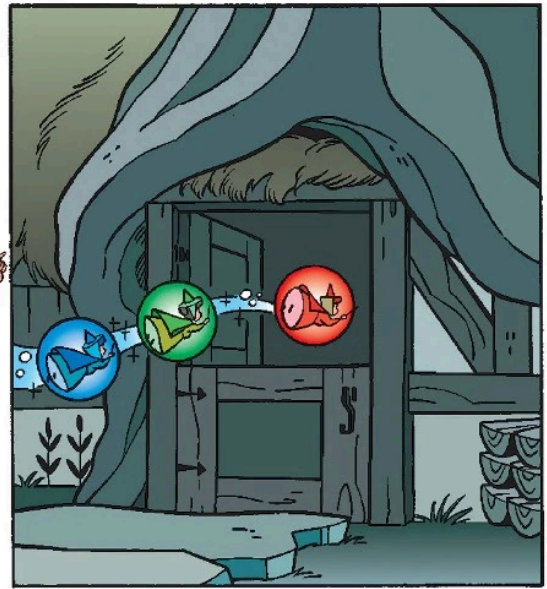
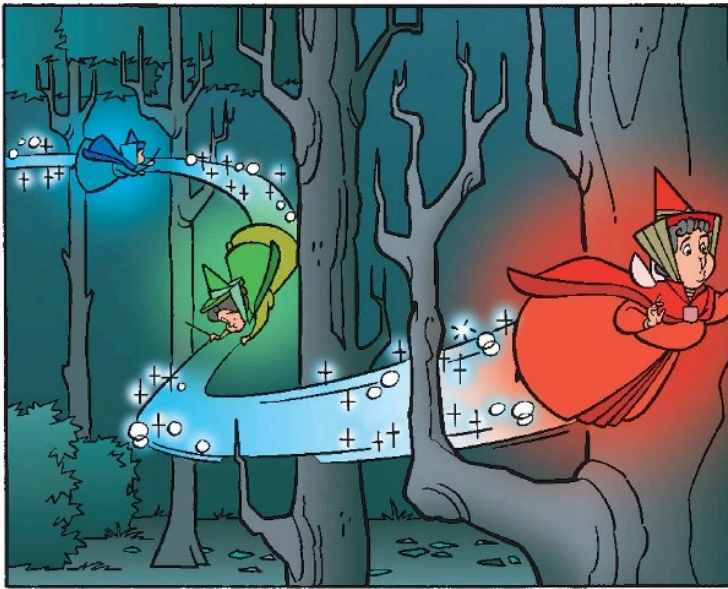


COME IN!













WHAT A PITY PRINCE PHILLIP CAN'T BE HERE. HE'D HAVE ENJOYED THIS CELEBRATION! COME! WE MUST GO TO THE DUNGEON AND CHEER HIM UP!



YOU LOOK SAD, PRINCE PHILIP! WHY THIS MELANCHOLY? A WONDROUS FUTURE LIES BEFORE YOU!



TAKE A LOOK: IN KING STEFAN'S CASTLE THERE'S A GIRL DREAMING OF HIS CHARMING PRINCE! *THE PRINCESS AURORA!*



BUT SEE THE GRACIOUS WHIM OF FATE. SHE'S THE SAME PEASANT MAID WHO WON THE HEART OF OUR PRINCE!



THE YEARS ROLLED BY, BUT THE VALIANT PRINCE IS COMING ON HIS NOBLE STEED TO WAKE HIS LOVE WITH TRUE LOVE'S KISS AND PROVE THAT TRUE LOVE CONQUERS ALL!



HA! HA!  
HA! HA!



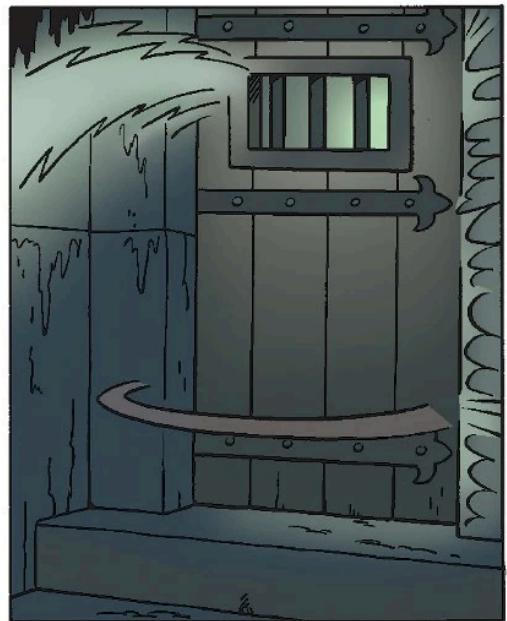
EVIL WITCH!



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COME, MY PET! LET US LEAVE  
OUR NOBLE PRINCE WITH THESE  
HAPPY VISIONS!



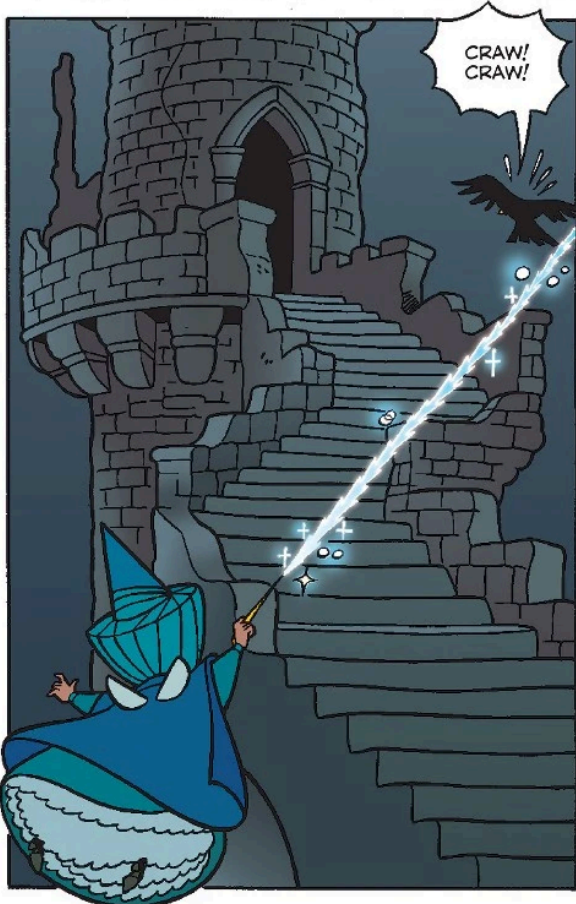
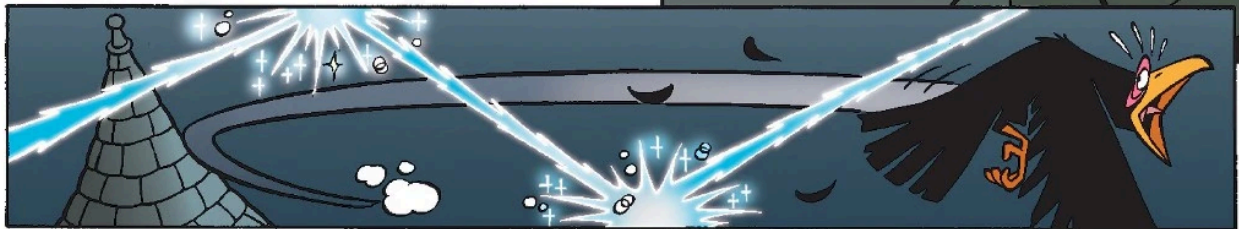
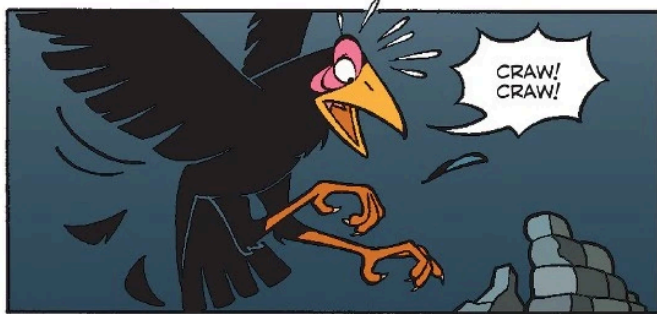
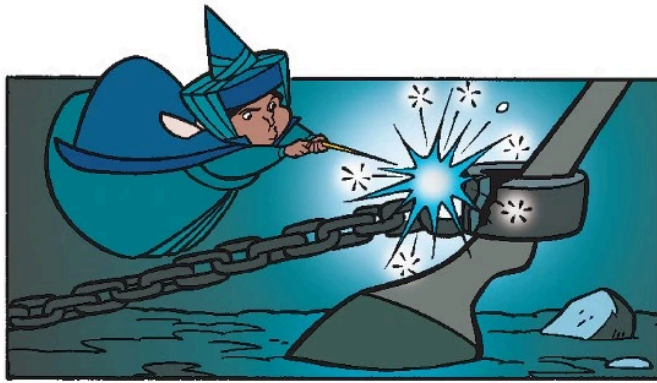








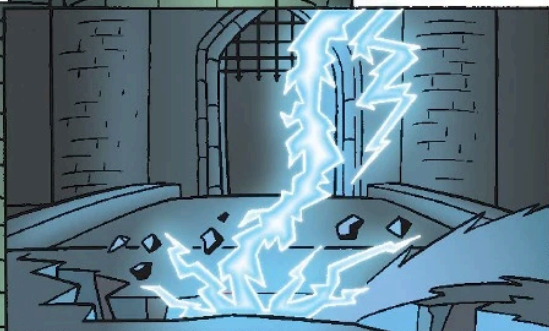














NO! IT CANNOT BE!

YOU HAVE TO KNOW THAT YOU MADE A MISTAKE IN CHALLENGING ME AND THE POWERS OF EVIL!

HE'S LOST!

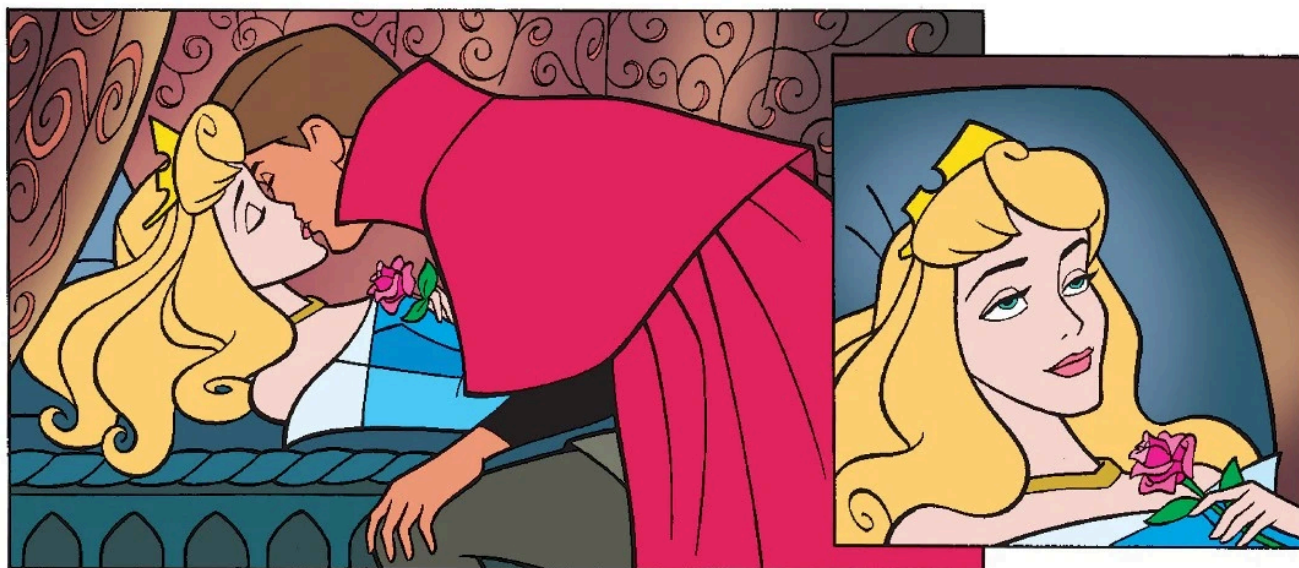
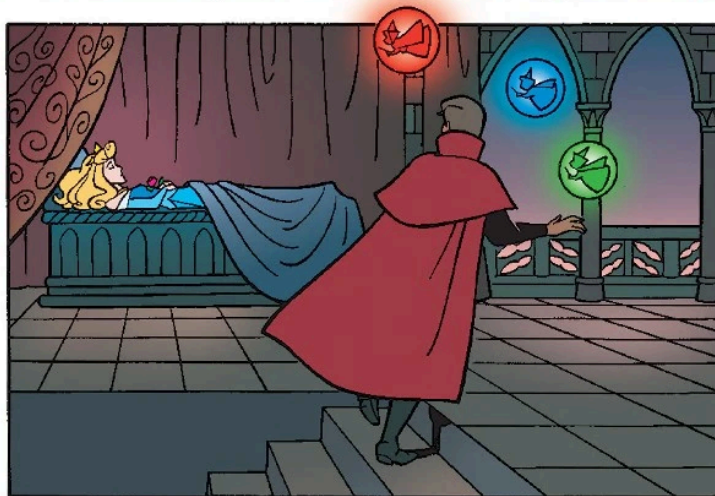
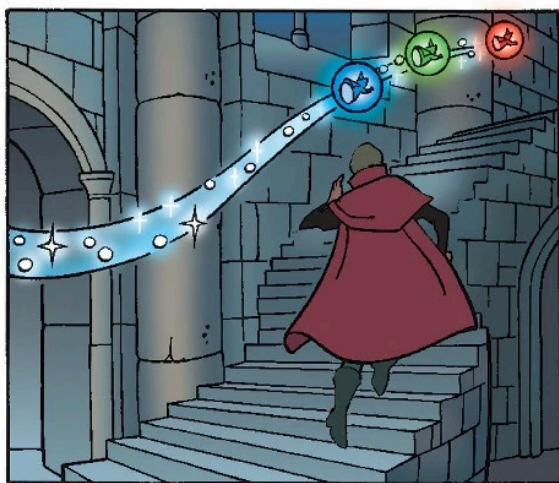
NO, HAVE FAITH!



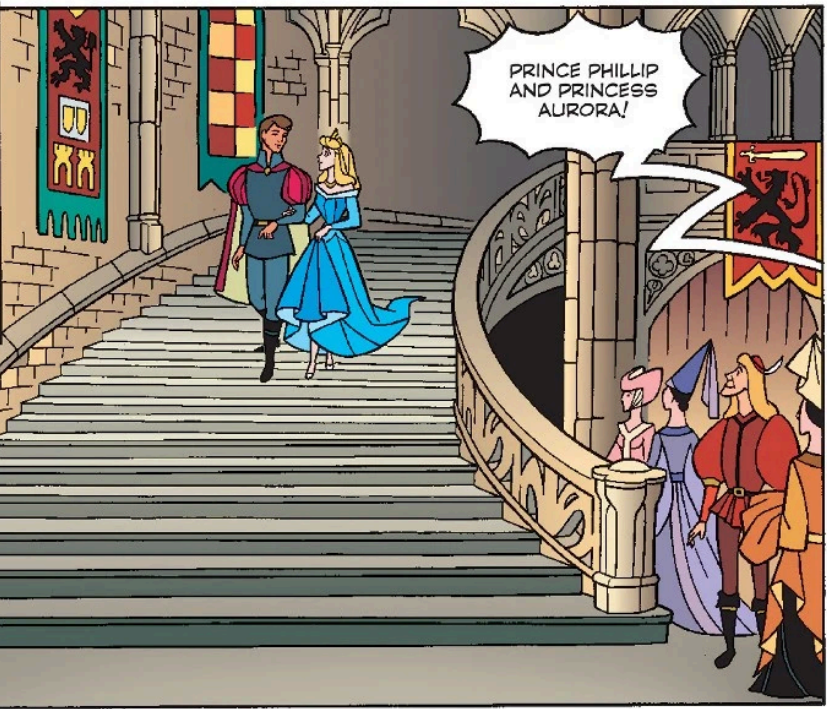
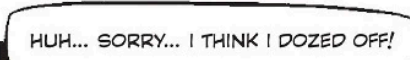




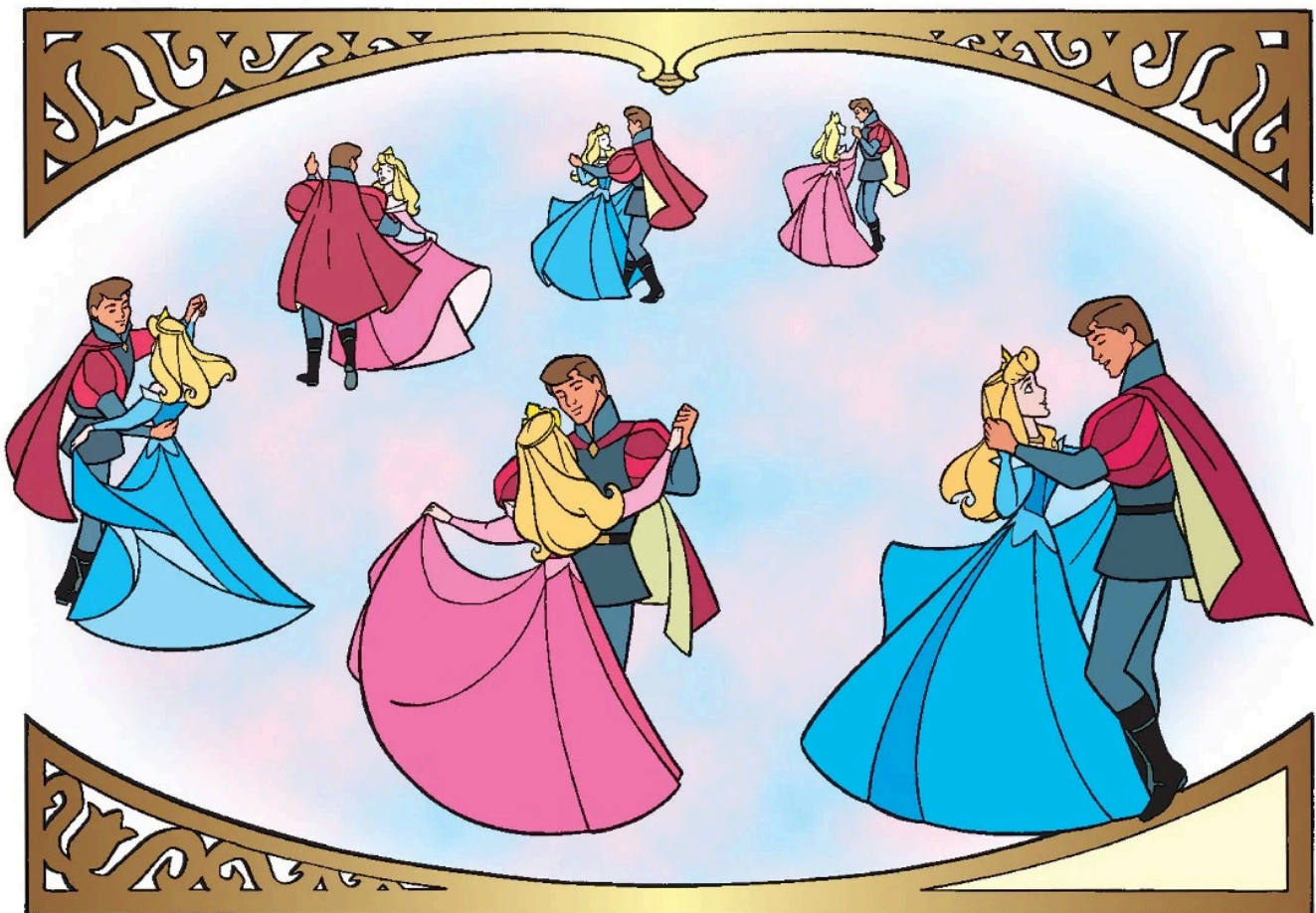
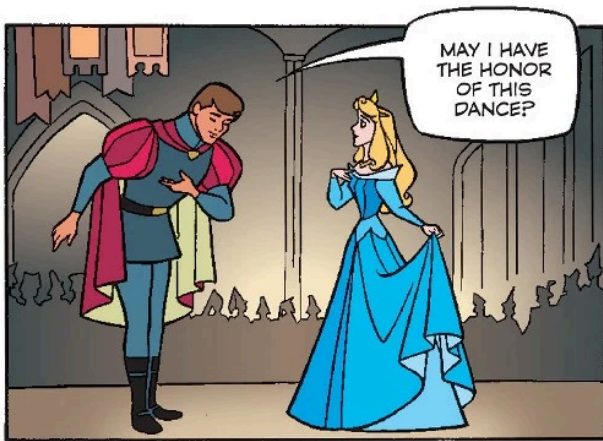












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